PART 512—CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION

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§512.1 Purpose and scope.

The purpose of this part is to establish the procedure by which NHTSA will consider claims that information submitted to the agency, or which the agency otherwise obtains, is confidential business information, as described in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4).

§512.2 Applicability.

- (a) This part applies to all information which is submitted to NHTSA, or which NHTSA otherwise obtains, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (b) Information received as part of the procurement process is subject to the Federal Acquisition Regulation, 48 CFR, Chapter 1, as well as this part. In any case of conflict between the Federal Acquisition Regulation and this part, the provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulation prevail.

§512.3 Definitions.

Administrator means the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Chief Counsel means the Chief Counsel of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Confidential business information means information described in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4).

NHTSA means the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Substantial competitive harm encompasses "significant competitive damage" under title V of the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act, 15 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.

§ 512.4 Asserting a claim for confidential treatment of information.

- (a) Any person submitting information to NHTSA and requesting that the information be withheld from public disclosure as confidential business information shall:
- (1) Stamp or mark "confidential," or some other term which clearly indicates the presence of information claimed to be confidential, on the top of each page containing information claimed to be confidential.
- (2) On each page marked in accordance with paragraph (a)(1) of this section, mark each item of information which is claimed to be confidential with brackets" []".
- (3) If an entire page is claimed to be confidential, indicate clearly that the entire page is claimed to be confidential.
- (4) Submit two copies of the documents containing allegedly confidential information (except only one copy of blueprints) and one copy of the documents from which information claimed to be confidential has been deleted to the Office of Chief Counsel, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 5219, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Include the name, address, and telephone number of a representative for receipt of a response from the Chief Counsel under this part.
- (5) If a document containing information claimed to be confidential is submitted in connection with an investigation or proceeding, a rulemaking